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SUBJ: NARCOTICS RAIDS IN CHIANG RAI

1. ACCORDING TO BANGKOK PRESS OF DECEMBER 11, NARCOTICS
POLICE IN CHIANG RAI CITY SEIZED 82 KILOGRAMS OF COOKED
OPIUM ON DECEMBER 19. THE POLICE ARRESTED 32-YEAR OLD
MOON BUTTAMA (SIC) AS HE WAS COOKING THE OPIUM IN THE BACK
GARDEN OF A HOUSE OWNED BY CHAIMA YIPHIM AND HIS WIFE, MALI.
BOTH ARE KNOWN TRAFFICKERS ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPERS.
NEITHER CHAIMA NOR HIS WIFE WAS IN THE HOUSE AT THE TIME
OF THE RAID.

2. ACCORDING TO BANGKOK PRESS OF DECEMBER 12, SOME 70
BORDER PATROL POLICE RAIDED A VILLAGE IN MAE CHAN DISTRICT
ON DECEMBER 10 AND DESTROYED A HEROIN PRODUCING COMPLEX OF
15 HUTS OPERATED BY HAW CHINESE. THE BPP FORCES WERE
INSERTED BY HELICOPTER. THEY REPORTEDLY RECEIVED SOME
HARRASSING FIRE, BUT TOOK NO CASUALTIES. NO DURGS WERE
FOUND IN THE RAID, BUT POLICE REPORTED SEIZING A LARGE
ASSORTMENT OF WEAPONS, RADIO TRANSMITTERS, AND
AMMUNITION.
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